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## Provisional Information on Selected Notifiable Diseases in the United States for Week Ended May 9, 1953

The incidence of infectious hepatitis continues to increase. From 777 cases reported last week, the number rose to 912 for the current week. For the corresponding week of 1952 there were only 178 cases reported.

For the current week, Texas reported 11 cases of typhoid fever and Ohio reported 8. Texas also reported 4 cases of dengue.

Although the number of poliomyelitis cases reported for the current week (110) is essentially the same as for the week ended May 2, when 111 were reported, the number is about 20 percent above the number (92) for the same week last year. Cumulative totals since the beginning of the "disease year," which began with the week ended April 11, are higher in 7 of the 9 geographic regions as compared with the same period last year. The cumulative total in the New England States is the same as last year, and in the West South Central States, it is 50 percent lower.

For the current week no State reported any unusual number of cases when compared with the previous 4 weeks. Alaska reported 4 cases with 1 death.

#### EPIDEMIOLOGICAL REPORTS

### Botulism

Dr. F. T. Foard, North Carolina State Board of Health, gives information on the case of botulism reported for the week ended April 4. Frozen lobster tails, purchased from a local Store, were prepared by dropping them in boiling water for an indeterminate time. The patient had no lunch, but for dinner she ate only lobster tails. Approximately 12 hours after the meal, she became ill with gastro-enteritis and diarrhea. About 18 hours later, visual difficulties began to develop; rather marked diplopia and nystagmus were accompanied by generalized muscular incoordination and difficulty in swallowing. The symptoms persisted with slow but gradual clearing during the next 15 days. On the basis of these symptoms, a diagnosis of botulism was made by an internist and ophthalmologist. No specimens were collected for laboratory examination. The patient has now apparently recovered completely.

Whooping cough

Dr. J. R. Enright, Hawaii Department of Health, reports an outbreak of whooping cough which occurred on the Island of Niihau. Forty-three cases were reported as compared with 42 for the entire Territory of Hawaii during 1952. The patients ranged in ages from 3 months to 7 years. The disease has evidently affected about all in this age group on the island which has a total population of 207. The island is privately owned and visits to it are made only by permission of the owners. The disease may have been introduced following a funeral which was held on the island. Permission had been granted by the owners for certain Kauai residents to visit the island temporarily to attend this funeral. One of the visitors is said to have been suffering from an upper respiratory infection which may have been the source of the outbreak.

Dr. W. L. Halverson, Director, California Department of Public Health, reports 2 military cases of vivax malaria and 4 civilian cases for the current week. Of the civilian cases 2, type not stated, were in Korean veterans, and 2 new tertian cases were associated with the outbreak of August 1952, among a group of teen-age children. This brings the total number for 1953 associated with the 1952 outbreak to 7 cases with delayed incubation periods. In addition, 7 of the original 9 persons affected are known to have had relapses.

Gastro-enteritis

Dr. W. L. Halverson reports 2 outbreaks of gastro-enteritis in private families. The first outbreak was among 8 persons who ate a turkey dinner. Of these, 6 became ill from 4 to 24 hours after eating the meal. Baked turkey was suspected but no pathogenic organisms were isolated from samples of the meat. Stool specimens of the patients were negative. The second outbreak was also among 8 persons. Five of these became ill with symptoms of nausea, vomiting and diarrhea; most of the patients had cramps, prostration, muscle weakness, etc. Ham which was baked for several hours was suspected to be the vehicle of infection. Samples of the meat were taken, and also a specimen from a patient, but no laboratory report was given.

Dr. Halverson also reports an outbreak of gastro-enteritis in an institution in California. Sixty-nine persons became ill from 12 to 16 hours after eating their noon meal. The symptoms were sudden onsets with cramps and diarrhea. One of the patients had pepticulcers at the time of the investigation which was made 2 days after onset of illness. The meal consisted of roast pork with brown gravy, boiled potatoes, boiled chard, and coffee. The pork was roasted on April 6, cooled, and refrigerated. The next day it was placed in a steam table for service at 11:00 a. m. The steam table and refrigerator were in good working order. The meal was served to 3 groups of persons but only the persons who ate pork at this meal became ill. No food was available for laboratory examination. Stool specimens taken from 7 food handlers and 2 patients were negative.

Dr. Morris Greenberg, New York City Department of Health. reports an outbreak of gastro-enteritis following a society luncheon at a hotel where 245 persons were served. From a preliminary epidemiological investigation, which comprised 57 individuals, it was estimated that 208 persons became ill from 3 to 18 hours later. Of the investigated group all who ate turkey became ill, while those who did not eat it remained unaffected. Cooking of foods had been completed 3 hours prior to meal time, with considerable handling by personnel in the intervening period. During this time the foods were kept at room temperature or in a warming oven. No source of contamination was found among the food handlers. Stool specimens of the patients were negative and food samples yielded no significant organisms.

Dr. Morris Greenberg reports an outbreak of gastroenteritis among 105 persons who attended a buffet luncheon in New York City. Of 76 participants investigated, 47 became ill about 10 hours after eating a large variety of foods. The food was prepared by a caterer at his commissary 1 to 2 days before the meal, and transported to the scene of the party the day before. Preliminary investigation indicates that foods were handled and transported with inadequate refrigeration during the 24-hour period prior to the time of serving. A number of perishable foods, chicken a la king, chopped liver, and assorted hors d'oeuvres, were eaten by a greater than average proportion of those who became ill. However, each of these foods was also eaten by a significant

number of unaffected persons. It is likely that several or all of these foods were contaminated. None of these foods was available for bacteriological examination. Stool cultures were negative.

#### Communicable diseases in other areas

Dr. A. S. Osborne, Science Attache, American Embassy, London, reports that 2 more cases of smallpox have been reported in the Yorkshire and Lancashire areas of England. One of these had no direct contact with previous cases but did attend a coroner's autopsy on a patient who had died of a hemorrhagic disease thought to be leukemia. The second case likewise had no known contact with previous cases. The total number of cases reported in the present outbreak is now 28 with 7 deaths. Two of the fatal cases were not diagnosed until after death. No rash was seen in either. Other cases in persons who were desperately ill in the early stages had very sparse rashes.

Table 1. COMPARATIVE DATA FOR CASES OF SPECIFIED NOTIFIABLE DISEASES: UNITED STATES

(Numbers after diseases are category numbers of the Sixth Revision of the International Lists, 1948)

DISEASE	TOTAL FOR WEEK ENDED		5-year median	Approxi- mate seasonal	CUMULATI SINCE S LOW	EASONAL	5-year median	CUMULATIN FOR CAL YEA	5-year median 1948-	
	Мау 9, 1953	May 3, 1952	1948- 52	low week ended	1952-53	1951-52	1947-48 through 1951-52	1953	1952	52
Anthrax062		. 1	2	( <del>1</del> )	(1) (1)	(1) (1)	(¹)	16	14	23
Botulism049.1	-	_		(1)	(1)		(1)	5	10	
Brucellosis (undulant fever) 044	40	41		(¹)	(1)	(¹)	(1)	532	662	
Diphtheria055	38	51	89	July 1	22,435	3,318	6,879	<sup>2</sup> 787	1,138	2,528
Encephalitis, acute infectious 082	15	27	13	(¹)	(¹)	(1)	(1)	327	431	236
Hepatitis, infectious,				25	10.00		538			l .
and serum092,N998.5 pt.	912	178		(1) (1)	(1) (1)	(¹) (¹)	(1) (1)	12,171	7,286	
Malaria110-117	18	72		(1)				<sup>3</sup> 173	714	
Measles085	24,356	30,664	27,787	Sept. 1	283,721	505,741	365,157	4252,947	453,564	334,940
Meningococcal infections057	122	113	<b>7</b> 5	Sept. 1	3,749	3,481	2,710	2,517	2,326	1,702
Poliomyelitis, acute080	110	. 92	72	Apr. 1	481	359	325	2,063	1,679	1,583
Rabies in man094	-	-		(¹)	(1)	(1) (1)	(1) (1)	1	6	:
Rocky Mountain spotted fever 104A	1	2	6	(1) (1)	(1) (1)	(1)	(¹)	17	14	23
Scarlet fever and streptococcal			ĺ					l		
sore throat050,051	4,137	2,694	1,938	Aug. 1	110,249	72,361	62,606	74,647	56,450	40,954
Smallpox084	-	-	-	(¹)	(1) (1)	(1) (1)	(1)	8	6	20
Trichiniasis128	3	8		(¹)	(1)	(1)	(1) (1) (1)	93	111	
Tularemia059	9	8	16	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	190	250	324
Typhoid fever040	42	23	32	Apr. 1	162	136	142	467	<b>53</b> 5	608
Typhus fever, endemic101	4	1		Apr. 1	17	15		57	45	
Whooping cough056	677	997	1,415	Oct. 1	19,186	34,069	49,122	11,329	19,884	27,508
Rabies in animals	146	178		(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(1)	3,002	3,302	

<sup>1</sup>Not computed.

#### SOURCE AND NATURE OF DATA

These provisional data are based on reports from State and territorial health departments to the Public Health Service. They give the total number of cases of certain communicable diseases reported during the week usually ended the preceding

Saturday. When the diseases which rarely occur (cholera, dengue, plague, typhus fever—epidemic, and yellow fever) are reported, they will be noted under the table above.

Symbols.—1 dash [-]: no cases reported; asterisk [\*]: disease stated not notifiable; parentheses, [[]]: data not included in total; 3 dashes [---]: data not available.

Deductions: Arkansas, weeks ended March 21, 28 and April 4, 1 case each.

Speduction: Indiana, week ended March 28, 1 case.
Addition: Massachusetts, week ended April 25, 79 cases.

Table 2. CASES OF SPECIFIED DISEASES WITH COMPARATIVE DATA: UNITED STATES, EACH DIVISION AND STATE FOR WEEK ENDED MAY 9, 1953

(Numbers under diseases are category numbers of the Sixth Revision of the International Lists, 1948)

AREA	DIPET		INFECT AND S	•	MEAS (08		MENINGO INFEC (05	TIONS	POLIOMY ACU (08		SCARLET AND STREE SORE T (050,	TOCOCCAL THROAT
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	1953	1952	1953	1952	1953	1952	1953	1952	1953	1952	1953	1952
UNITED STATES	38	51	912	178	24,356	30,664	122	113	110_	92	4,137	2,694
NEW ENGLAND	2	_	81	4	240	3,251	5	3	2	3	324	188
Maine	_	_	14	_	30	331	1	_	_	_	70	11
New Hampshire	-	-	34	-	4	41	-	-	-	-	3	1
Vermont	-	-	4	-	13	153		1	-	-	17	5
Rhode Island	2	-	21	3 -	110	1,654	3	1	_	2	121	84 16
Connecticut	_ [	_	8	1	74	949	-	1	2	1	87	71
MIDDLE ATLANTIC	4	7	97	31	1,297	9,085	15	19	10	6	631	761
New York	1	3	81	25	407	3,293	3	7	6	5	380	494
New Jersey	1	_	-	-	185	4,396	7	4	2	1	111	136
	2	4	16	6	705	1,396	5	8	2	- 1	140	131
EAST NORTH CENTRAL	3	5	108	20	5,804	6,765	32	32	10	7	621	701
Indiana	1	. 1	32 35	4	1,660 348	819 524	14	12	1	2	169 33	250
Illinois	2	-	23	4	1,054	1,600	7	11	4	2	121	31 100
Michigan	- '	-	7	11	944	1,694	7	2	l	2	182	252
Wisconsin	-	-	11	-	1,798	2,128	4	5	4	-	116	68
WEST NORTH CENTRAL	5	6	145	23	2,833	1,375	. 8	5	15	3	209	128
Iowa		1	14 67	2	236	88	3		3	1	58	28
lissouri	2	3	27	16	587 261	132	ı	1 3	2 5	_	44 21	24 15
North Dakota	-	_	5	-	117	319	_	_	_	-	20	35
South Dakota		-		-	20	25	1	-	2	-	14	4
Cansas	1 2	1	15 17	-	276 1,336	263 438	3	1	3	2	20 32	, 5
SOUTH ATLANTIC	6	14	182	41	1,160	2,478	29	19	16	7	384	17 194
Delaware	_	_	-		43	17	_	1	-	-	3	7
MarylandDistrict of Columbia	-	-	8	2	88	252	-	1	1	1	157	24
Virginia	1	2	1111	11	21 233	839	1 5	4	ī	ī	104	7
West Virginia	ī	ī	17	3	235	460	3	2	2	1	41	84 10
North Carolina	1	4	25	8	231	287	3	3	1	P 20	23	50
South CarolinaGeorgia	- 2	4		2	137	115	2	_	2	1	5	1
Florida	1	3 -	3 14	15	109 63	268 178	10 5	5 3	3 7	3	41 6	7
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL	1	3	176	34	620	1,624	10	10	6	2	102	68
Kentucky	_ [		29	4	102	705	_	3			24	14
Tennessee	1	_	75	15	138	355	1	3	-	]	60	43
Alabama	-	1	37	15	190	494	4	4	4	-	7	7
Mississippi	-	2	35	-	190	70	5	-	2	2	11	4
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL	9	13	29	5	6,232	2,340	13	10	31	51	887	224
ArkansasLouisiana	-	-	8	5	730	176	2	-	2	1	75	54
Oklahoma	2	- 2	8	_	276 363	28 151	6	-	1	8	9	3
Texas	7	11	13	-	4,863	1,985	1 4	10	24	2 40	26 777	6 161
MOUNTAIN	5	2	23	5	2,156	1,035	1	1	3	-	438	210
Montana	1	-	_ '	_	32	215	_	1	- 1	-	17	8
Idaho	-	1	1	-	69	68	-	] -	-	] - [	30	12
yoming	-	-	20	- 2	175	90	-	-	-	- 1	270	7
New Mexico		1	-	2	726 307	216 62	1	_	2		51 16	6
Arizona	1	-	1	2	385	109	1 -	_	= 8	-	16	1 93
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PACIFIC	3	1	71	15	4,014	2,711	9	14	17	13	2 541	220
Washington	3	_ !	18	2	500	247	2		i M	1 3		
Oregon		-	33	3	577	112	1	1 1	1 0	1	140 38	25 32
California		1	20	10	2,937	2,352	6	12	13	12	363	163
Alaska	(-)	(-)	(-)	(-)	(3)	(3)	(-)	(-)	(4)	(-)	(-)	(5
RawaiiPuerto Rico	(-)	(-)	(1)	(1)	(6)	(25)	(-)	(1)	(-)	(5)	(-)	(1
vo R1CO	(4)	(9)	(-)	(-)	(29)	(47)	(-)	i (-)	(-)	(-)	(1)	(1

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Includes 44 delayed cases.

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UNITED STATES	42	23	677	997	40	<b>1</b> 5	18	1	3	9	4	146
NEW ENGLAND	2	1	63	58	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maine New Hampshire	_	1 -	11 5	8	-	-		-	-	-	-	*
Vermont	-	-	1	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Massachusetts	1 -	-	29 8	31	_	1	-	_		-	<u>-</u>	<b>1</b>
Connecticut	1	-	9	8	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MIDDLE ATLANTIC	2	-	139	98	4	9	-	-	2	1	1	4
New York	-	-	58	46	2	8	-	-	1	1	1	4
New Jersey	2	_	47 34	19 33	1	1	-	_	1	e -	1 1	_
EAST NORTH CENTRAL	9	5	88	100	5	3	2	_	1	1	_	14
Ohio	8	4	21	22	_			_	1	_	_	4
Indiana	1	-	12	2			1	-		_	-	<u>-</u>
Illinois Michigan	-	- 1	3 <b>3</b> 9	8 <b>3</b> 2	5	2	1	-	-	1	- [	7 3
Wisconsin	_ [	-	13	36		1	Ξ.	-	-		_	11 -
WEST NORTH CENTRAL	1	3	19	39	15	-	1	-	-	- '	-	14
Minnesota	-	-	1	1	6	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Iowa	- 1	3	2 4	6 18	1	-	-	-	-1	_	М	7 5
North Dakota		-	-		1	_	-		-	_	_	2
South Dakota		-	3	- 1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	- ¥
Nebraska Kansas	_	-	8 1	1 13	- 6	-	-	_	_	_		
SOUTH ATLANTIC	4	1	28	106	6	2	3	_	_	2	2	25
Delaware	_	-	_	_	_	_	_	_	-	_	_	-
Maryland	-	1	1	10	1	-	2	-	-	-	-	_
District of Columbia Virginia	1	-	10 4	1 17		_	1	-	-	=	2	9
West Virginia	-	-	S	46	-	- 1	-	-	-	-	_	1
North Carolina	1 2	_	1	17	1	1	-		_	_	- 5	8
Georgia	-	-	-	11	4	-	-	-	-	2	_	5
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Kentucky	4	6	14	55	2	-	3	_ `	-	1	(6) -	12
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Alabama	1	2	1	8	1	-	2	-	*	-	-	11 8
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL	17	2	210	19 354	5	- 7	1	_	17	2	1	40
Arkansas	5		15	1	2	- 3	1	_	_	2		3
Louisiana	1	2	1	\$ 11	-	- I	-	-	-			-
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Idaho	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	- ,	-	= 15
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Nevada		_	-	-	:	_	-	_	_	-	_	-
PACIFIC	2	4	88	126	-		6	1		-	_	2
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Alaska	(-)	(-)	(1)		(-)	(-)	(-)	(-)	(-)	(-)	(-1)	(-)
Hawaii	(-)	(-) (4)	(1)	(-)	(-)	(-)	(3) (-)	(-)	(-)	(-)	(-)	(-)

# Table 3. CASES OF SPECIFIED DISEASES: SELECTED CITIES FOR WEEK ENDED MAY 9, 1953

(Numbers after diseases are category numbers of the Sixth Revision of the International Lists, 1948)

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AREA	Brucellosis (undulant fever) (044)	Diphtheria (055)	Encephalitis, acute infectious (382)	Hepatitis, infectious, and serum (092, N996.5 pt.)	Measles (085)	Meningoroccal infections (O57)	Policoyelitís, acute (000)	Recky Mountiln spotted fever (104A)	Scarlet Sever and atreptococcal sore throat (050,051)	Trichinish (128)	Tulnremin (059)	Tysticald fever (040)	Typhun fever, endemic (101)	Whoming cough (USG)	Rabies in animals
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EAST NORTH CENTRAL															
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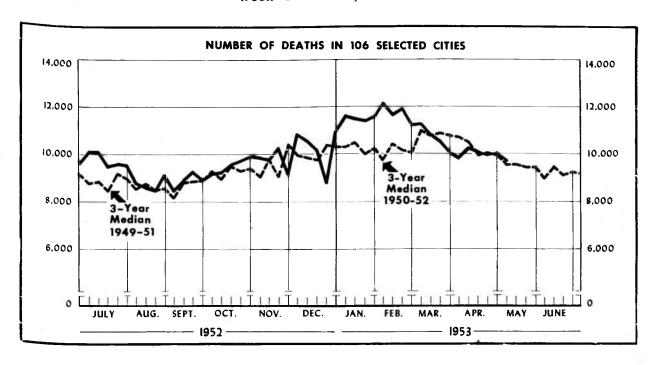
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Honolulu	-	-	-	1	-	-		-	-	_	-	-	_		-

# Provisional Statistics for Deaths in Selected Cities for Week Ended May 9, 1953



The chart shows the number of deaths reported for 106 major cities of the United States by week for the current year, and, for comparison, the median of the number of deaths reported for the corresponding weeks of the three previous calendar years. (The median is the central one of the three values arranged in order of magnitude.) If a report is not received from a city in time to be included in the total for the current week, an estimate is made to maintain comparability for graphic presentation.

The figures reported represent the number of death certificates received in the vital statistics offices during the week indicated, for deaths occurring in that city. Figures compiled in this way, by week of receipt, usually approximate closely the number of deaths occurring during the week. However, differences are to be expected because of variations in the interval

between death and receipt of the certificate.

While week-to-week changes in the total number of deaths reported for all major cities generally represent a change in mortality conditions, this may not be true for variations in weekly figures for each city. For example, in a city where 50 deaths are the weekly average, the number of deaths occurring in a week may be expected to vary by chance alone from 36 to 64 (d  $\pm 2\sqrt{d}$ , where d represents the average number of deaths per week).

The number of deaths in cities of the same size may also differ because of variations in the age, race, and sex composition of their populations, and because some cities are hospital centers serving the surrounding areas. Changes from year to year in the number of deaths may be due in part to population increases or decreases.

Table 4. DEATHS IN SELECTED CITIES BY GEOGRAPHIC DIVISION

(By place of occurrence, and week of filing certificate. Exclusive of fetal deaths)

	18th week ended	17th week ended	18th Week	Percentage difference between	CUMULATIVE NUMBER FOR FIRST 18 WEEKS				
GEOGRAPHIC DIVISION	May 9, 1953	May 2, 1953	median 1950-52	current week and median	1953	1952	Percentage difference		
TOTAL: 103 REPORTING CITIES	9,578	9,909	9,424	+1.6	193,292	184,923	+4,		
ew England(14 cities)	643	684	645	-0.3	12,957	12,773	+1.		
iddle Atlantic(16 cities)	2,922	2,965	2,875	+1.6	57,306	55,782	+2.		
ast North Central(17 cities)	2,158	2,188	2,169	-0.5	41,920	39,252	+6.		
est North Central(8 cities)	658	719	703	-6.4	14,241	13,163	+8.		
outh Atlantic(9 cities)	756	759	698	+8.3	15,253	14,558	+4.		
ast South Central(7 cities)	397	402	414	-4.1	8,514	7,904	+7.		
est South Central(13 cities)	675	766	693	-2.6	14,533	13,837	+5.		
ountein(7 cities)	184	239	206	-10.7	4,640	4,128	+12.		
acific(12 cities)	1,185	1,187	1,089	+8.8	23,928	23,526	+1.		

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# Table 5. DEATHS IN SELECTED CITIES FOR WEEK ENDED MAY 9, 1953

(By place of occurrence, and week of filing certificate. Exclusive of fetal deaths)

CITY	18th week ended	17th week ended	CUMULATIV FOR FIRST		CITY	18th week ended	17th week ended	week FOR FIRST 18 WEE		
	May, 9, 1953	May, 2, 1953	1953 1952			May 9, 1953	May 2, 1953	1953	1952	
NEW ENGLAND					WEST NORTH CENTRAL—Con.					
Boston	222	217	4,443	4,356	St. Paul	59	68	1,258	1,16	
Bridgeport	32	33	606	644	Wichita	3€	37	766	74	
Dambridge	34	27	525	630	SOUTH ATLANTIC					
Eall River	32	28	535	548						
Lowell	29 19	53 33	878 484	831 468	AtlantaBaltimore	105	103	2,013	1,80	
Lynn	25	22	399	437	Charlotte	214 29	222 27	4,467	4,44 5	
New Bedford	19	27	457	444	Miami	64	58	534 1,187	1,0	
New Haven	42	48	658	816	Norfolk	22	37	610	55	
Providence	64	60	1,189	1,188	Richmond	62	81	1,277	1,30	
Somerville	13	14	293	304	Tampa	60	36	1,107	1,12	
Springfield, Mass	40	3.	734	699	Washington, D. C	170	159	3,445	3,1	
Vaterbury	22	39	516	445	Wilmington, Del	<b>3</b> 0	36	613	58	
Vorcester	50	53	1,040	993	EAST SOUTH CENTRAL					
MIDDLE ATLANTIC					Birmingham	69	64	1,350	1,26	
Albany	4.	42	848	<b>753</b>	Chattanooga   Knoxville	22	43	894	84	
Buffalo	141	145	2,681	2,602	Louisville	32 91	32 12 <b>1</b>	658 2,027	6] 1,8	
lamden	34	42	669	672	Memphis	99	84	1,983	1,7	
Mizabeth	21	56	582	589	Mobile	37	23	597	5	
Jersey City	61	(29) 87	1,328	(602)	Montgomery	(23)	(30)	(544)	(4	
Newark, N. J	121	70	2,046	1,386 2,026	Nashville	`47	35	1,005	`9	
lew York City	1,533	1,558	30,582	29,637	WEST SOUTH CENTRAL					
Paterson	30	35	743	772						
hiladelphia	504	481	9,245	8,986	AustinBaton Rouge	20	17	463	4	
ittsburgh	161	166	3,279	3,319	Corpus Christi	14	20	281	2:	
ochester, N. Y	92	89	1,850	1,731	Dallas	15 90	17 80	334 1,797	1,6	
chenectady	19	26	452	430	El Paso	22	26	544	4.	
yracuse	57	51	1,006	982	Fort Worth	44	51	1,090	9	
tica	49 36	47 34	935 590	819 5 <b>4</b> 9	Houston	98	137	2,265	2,1	
onkers	23	36	490	529	Little Rock	38	37	809	<b>8</b>	
			100	823	New Orleans	130	163	2,946	2,8	
EAST NORTH CENTRAL					Oklahoma City	46	60	1,023	9	
kron	F.C			3 03.7	San Antonio	76	76	1,524	1,3	
anton	56 26	54 27	1,111	1,013 5 <b>37</b>	Tulsa	44 38	43 39	779 678	6 7	
hicago	753	734	14,411	13,191			00	0,0	2000	
incinnati	123	132	2,781	2,670	MOUNTA IN					
leveland	202	225	3,975	3,861	Albuquerque	18	27	489	4	
olumbus	129	112	2,032	1,906	Colorado Springs	11	14	249	2	
ayton		(84)		(1,112)	Denver	85	109	2,135	1,9	
etroit	320	368	6,106	5,600	Ogden	4	12	216	2	
vansville	34	26	635	598	PhoenixPueblo	16 11	25 13	457 258	1	
ort Wayne	38 25	26 23	691 575	618 556	Salt Lake City	39	39	836	7	
rand Rapids	40	38	747	706	Tucson	(8)	(5)	(106)	(1	
ndianapolis	91	107	2,147	2,134		(-7	(0)	(200)	\_	
ilvaukee	120	116	2,375	2,236	PACIFIC					
eoria	38	33	568	582	Berkeley	13	15	320	3	
outh Bend	22	28	446	440	Long Beach	41	46	912	8	
oledo	80	96	1,729	1,704	Los Angeles	399	432	8,676	8,6	
oungstown	61	43	1,037	900	Cakland	105 33	99 24	1,865 662	1,8	
WEST NORTH CENTRAL					Portland, Oreg	89	98	1,920	1,8	
es Moines	47	54	936	957	Sacramento	44 66	46 <b>61</b>	1 361	1,3	
uluth	16	27	499	449	San Francisco	184	186	1,361 3,747	3,5	
ansas City, Kans	107		2.704	(665)	Seattle	119	118	2,148	2,0	
ansas City, Mo	107	107	2,394	2,121	Spokane	54	33	804	7	
	112	138	2,387	2,159	Tacoma					
inneapolis	65	57	1,247	1,186	1acoma	38	29	626	6	

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